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1. In Nidzica (Neidenburg-N53-22, E 20-26) in Olsztyn (Allenstein) Voivodship, a number of villages were completely cleared of their civilian occupants and houses demolished to make room for a military camp. The villages were: Kanwezy, Puchalowo, Retkowy, Ruda, and Sadek. The evacuation of the population began in autumn 1953 and continued until the spring of 1954 since the people were employed on demolition work before they left. The bricks from the demolished houses were used to construct barracks, mainly in Ruda and Sadek. Artillery and engineer units from Pisz were also working on the camp, the center of which will be near Sadek where more than 1,000 hectares of the forest were cleared.

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2. During 1954 Civil Air Defense throughout Poland was reorganized. Many training courses were in progress all over the country for instructors who will later be sent to factories, railway junctions, harbors, post offices, etc. to organize and prepare Civil Defense schemes. The work is under the control of the military authorities, and many former officers and NCOs have been recruited.

1. Comment: the air defense course were resumed in May - June 1954.

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